

**PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS SECTION
Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects,
Professional Engineers, Designers and Land Surveyors
MINUTES
MADISON, WISCONSIN
September 1, 2000**

PRESENT: Harvey Shebesta, Terry Richards and Nancy Sobczak

EXCUSED: Lynda Farrar

STAFF PRESENT: Alfred Hall and Jan Neitzel

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Harvey Shebesta, Chair. A quorum of 3 members was present.

AGENDA

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Terry Richard, to adopt the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES (July 7, 2000)

MOTION: Terry Richard moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve the minutes as published. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Secretary Cummings' Report

- Response to Professional Engineer Applicant Appraisal Form #470

Secretary Cummings discussed the suggested change in appraisal form #470 relating to the letters of recommendation and stated that the Department will continue to process the applications in the present manner.

Alfred Hall, Bureau Director's Report

- Ethics Board Opinion Re: Expert Witnesses

The Section discussed the July 13, 2000, memo from Bill Dusso, Legal Counsel, relating to Board members testifying as expert witnesses. The Section concluded that if a Board member is asked to be an expert witness, Board Legal Counsel or Jonathon Becker of the Ethics Board should be contacted prior to serving as an expert witness.

- Section Roster 8/2000

The Section received a copy of the August 2000 roster. Noted.

- 2001 Meeting Dates

Harvey Shebesta stated that he will not be attending the March 2, 2001, meeting.

MOTION: Terry Richard moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to accept the proposed 2001 meeting dates. Motion carried unanimously.

- Regulatory Digest Draft

Harvey Shebesta discussed reviewing the NCEES test to determine the “cut-scores” and commented that volunteers with 2-10 years of experience are needed to participate.

- Report of Board Member Workshop

Alfred Hall reported that the Board Member Workshop was well attended.

Harvey Shebesta stated that the session given by the legislators was informative.

- To-Pass Folder

Information was circulated in the To-Pass Folder and duly noted.

LEGISLATIVE

Discussion and Action on Repealing s. 443.04(1)(d), Stats.

Nothing to report.

Request for More Legislative Rationale

Harvey Shebesta noted his August 15, 2000, letter to Mr. Arlo J.M. Spiess, FACEC, relating to rationale for the proposed requirement that all professional engineer candidates take the principles and practice and the fundamentals exams. Mr. Shebesta stated that he has not received a response from Mr. Spiess.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Discussion of NCEES Electronic Technology Task Force (ETTF) White Paper

The Section discussed the pros and cons of electronic transmission of documents.

Alfred Hall stated that a public hearing and a change in the rules to correspond with the statutes would be necessary in order to implement electronic transmission of documents.

SECTION MEMBER ACTIVITY

Harvey Shebesta attended the NCEES annual meeting August 2-5, 2000, in Chicago, Illinois.

REGISTRATION ISSUES

Requiring Professional Engineer Registration for Engineering Faculty

The Section discussed the proposed requirement that faculty members who teach engineering must be registered as professional engineers. The Section will continue to discuss registration for engineering faculty.

ABET

Invitation to Observe Site Visit – UW Platteville

The Section discussed the site visit at UW Platteville on October 21-24, 2000. Terry Richard volunteered to be the Section’s representative.

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Terry Richard, that Terry Richard attend the site visit at UW Platteville on October 21-24, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

PRACTICE ISSUES

None.

EXAMINATION ISSUES

None.

NCEES

Report of Annual Meeting

The Section received a copy of the report dated August 11, 2000, from Harvey Shebesta relating to the NCEES annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois, August 2-5, 2000. Noted.

Resolution to Increase Dues

Harvey Shebesta reported that at the NCEES Central Zone meeting the members did not pass the proposed increase in dues of \$1,500.00 for the year 2002.

National Pass Rate

The national pass rate will be discussed by Darwin Tichenor at the November 10, 2000, meeting.

NCEES to Offer Exam Administration Services

Harvey Shebesta stated that NCEES administration of all aspects of the fundamentals and the principles and practices examinations are being proposed by the NCEES.

NCEES Develops New Civil PE Exam Format

Darwin Tichenor will discuss the development of a new civil PE examination format by the NCEES at the November 10, 2000, meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

Letter From Charles Merdinger, NV, re: Emeritus Status

The Section discussed the July 18, 2000, letter from Charles J. Merdinger, P.E., relating to emeritus status. The Section requested that a response be sent to Mr. Merdinger stating that:

1. Emeritus status would be difficult to administer
2. There is no control by legal authority relating to emeritus status in Wisconsin.

Opinion from Wayne Austin re: Mechanical Engineering Consulting Firm

The Section received a copy of the June 21, 2000, letter from Wayne Austin relating to the definition of "professional engineer." Noted.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Terry Richard, to convene the meeting in Closed Session pursuant to sections 19.85(1)(a), (b) and (f), Wis. Stats.: to consider the licensing or discipline of a person licensed by this section or the investigation of charges against such a person. Specifically, to discuss the issue of case status reports, deliberations on

stipulations that may be signed after printing of the agenda, pending applications, requests for reinstatement of licensure, a stipulation and to hold Class 1 hearings on denied applications. Motion carried by a roll call vote: Terry Richard-yes; Nancy Sobczak-yes; Harvey Shebesta-yes.

Open Session recessed at 10:35 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

The Section deliberated on Class 1 hearings, case status reports, pending applications, a stipulation and reinstatement requests.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

By consensus, Open Session reconvened at 1:48 p.m.

VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION

HEARINGS ON DENIED APPLICATIONS

Mazen Amer (Milwaukee WI)

The Section discussed the work experience by Mazen Amer and noted that while the Section accepted another one year and two months of experience, the applicant is short one year and eight months of the experience requirement.

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Alfred Hall as proxy for Terry Richard, to reaffirm the denial for eligibility to take the principles and practice of engineering examination for Mazen Amer. Motion carried unanimously.

Stephen Bartoszewski (Muskego WI)

Mr. Bartoszewski was not able to attend the hearing. The Section reviewed his file and approved his application.

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Alfred Hall as proxy for Terry Richard, to approve the eligibility application for the principles and practice of engineering examination for Stephen Nartoszewski. Motion carried unanimously.

STIPULATIONS

James M. Poehling

MOTION: Alfred Hall as proxy for Terry Richard moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to accept the Stipulations, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Orders in the matters involving James M. Poehling. Motion carried unanimously.

APPLICATION REVIEW

APPLICATIONS REVIEWED ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2000

The Section took the following action on applications.

FOR REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

MOTION: Alfred Hall as proxy for Terry Richard moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve the following applications reviewed by the Section on September 1, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

By 8 Hour Written Examination

Ostrenga, Michael
Schmidt, Nick
Stange, Steven

By approved Degree Plus 8 Years Experience

Alfaro, Frank
Bartoszewski, Stephen
Brandtjen, James
Butler, Marvin
Damyen, Alan
Dubnicka, Allan
Gerum, Patrick
Graske, Ronald
Gregory, William
Lafleur, Dean
Nicholson, Mark

Palet, Timothy
Rendahl, Craig
Scheib, Bernadette
Severson, Steven
Shields, Jason
Sneed, Brian
Walesh, David
Weisz, Douglas
Williams, Robert
Wozniak, Robert
Zander, Mark

For Principles And Practice Of Engineering Examination

Adam, Jeffrey
Adomenas, Ditarijus
Amtmann, Ryan
Armstrong, Amit
Balz, Sarah
Basken, Brian
Baumann, Michael
Berry, Henry
Besharat, Mohammad
Bista, Bhupendra
Bock, Thomas
Bravante, Thomas
Bromley, Brian
Buehlow, Robert
Buffington, Michael
Chi, Kuo Chiun
Christianson, Matthew
Chyko, Scott
Coen, Edward
Cook, David
Dekrom, Damian
Deoskar, Himanshu
Dittmar, Jane

Drakopoulos, Aris
Duden, Eric
Dupont, Michael
Easterday, Kenneth
Eddington, Mark
Endter, Brian
Eykholt, Gerald
Fecht, Ryan
Fink, Carl
Fisher, Eric
Fitzgerald, Andrew
Gebert, Janet
Hellman, Elizabeth
Hietpas, Kenneth
Honl, Corey
Huberty, Cari
Jarman, Christopher
Jelinek, Robert
Jochums, Steven
Joosten, Valerie
Kalnbach, Michael
Karls, Jay
Kilbert, Daniel

King, Mark
Kloiber, Christopher
Knutson, Andy
Koch, Aaron
Koehnke, Kevin
Kolodzinski, Joseph
Kowalzik, Peter
Kramer, Travis
Kursell, Lisa
Leverenz, Rick
Linsmeier, Kristi
Lynch, Timothy
Mach, Robert
Maly, Kent
Marifke, Craig
Massignan, Andrew
Mather, Daniel
Mclaren, Michael
Montgomery, Gregory
Nasseri Zafar, Bahram
Nogalski, Nicholas
Neuendorf, William
Olson, Bruce
Otte, Eric
Pantoja, Wildy
Peplinski, Christopher
Pikalek, Amy
Pilbin, Lane
Poeschl, Kurt

Polum, Todd
Rauckman, William
Robb, Christopher
Rose, Gabriel
Roth, Robert
Samborski, Mark
Schumacher, Scott
Sciuk, Carl
Siefkes, Scott
Smith, David
Soenksen, Scott
Spielmacher, John
Starren, Jarrod
Sternbauer III, Joseph
Studebaker Jr, Richard
Stutzke, Jeff
Svare, Mark
Szyszka Jr, Theodore
Tapia, David
Utterback, Wiley
Vaness, Joel
Verstegen, Richard
Vlies, Paul
Walter, Scott
West, Gregory
Winter, Charles
Winterroth, Kevin
Zimmer, Andrew

Denied Applications

MOTION: Alfred Hall as proxy for Terry Richard moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to deny the following applications reviewed by the Section on September 1, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

By 8 Hour Written Examination

Cotton, Jeffrey

Rana, Baldevsingh

By approved Degree Plus 8 Years Experience

Kester, Gregory

Yassein, Alex

For Principles And Practice Of Engineering Examination

Allen, Patrick
Bernaden III, Alex
Donze, Craig
Homar, Steven
Kirsch, Ann Marie
Mace, Lesley
Ruiz, Hugo
Schuh, Brian

REINSTATEMENT REQUESTS

MOTION: Alfred Hall as proxy for Terry Richard moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve the following reinstatement requests. Motion carried unanimously.

Susan J. Gustke (De Forest WI)
Roger Held (Burnsville MN)
Fred Michaels (Black River Falls WI)
Christopher C. Olson (Viroqua WI)
Naitik R. Patel (Carol Stream IL)

George Yankoupe (Plymouth MN)

The Section discussed the reinstatement request of George Yankoupe and noted RL 82.05(2)(a) Wis. Admin. Code and s. A-E 4.03, Stats.

MOTION: Alfred Hall as proxy for Terry Richard moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to deny the reinstatement request of George Yankoupe based on the fact that all of the requested information was not submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

SUCH OTHER ITEMS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Alfred Hall as proxy for Terry Richard, to adjourn the meeting at 1:52 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.